



UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))



Attorney Docket No.	8638
First Inventor	Christopher Bewick-Sonntag
Assignee	The Procter & Gamble Company
Title	Improved Topsheet for Contacting Hydrous Body Tissues and Absorbent Device with Such a Topsheet
Express Mail Label No.	EF258068378US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP Chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

ADDRESS TO: **Commissioner for Patents
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1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status
(see 37 CFR §1.27)
3. Specification Total Pages [111]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive Title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings *(if filed)*
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawing(s) (35 USC §113) Total Sheets [14]
5. Oath or Declaration Total pages
 - a. Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR §1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 complete)
 - i. **DELETION OF INVENTORS**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR §1.76
7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. Paper
 - c. Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
11. English Translation Document *(if applicable)*
12. Information Disclosure Copies of IDS Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. Preliminary Amendment
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. Other:

18. If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR §1.76:

Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No. 09/637,440

Prior application information: Examiner: _____

Group/Art Unit: 3763

For **CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS** only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

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Signature		Date	July 13, 2001

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2001

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Complete if Known

<i>Application Number</i>		
<i>Confirmation Number</i>		
<i>Filing Date</i>		July 13, 2001
<i>First Named Inventor</i>		Christopher Philip Bewick-Sonntag
<i>Examiner Name</i>		
<i>Group/Art Unit</i>		
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT	(\$)	1840.00
<i>Attorney Docket No..</i>		8638

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to:

Deposit Account Number 16-2480

Deposit Account Name The Procter & Gamble Company

- Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under status. See 37 CFR §127
37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE – Large Entity

Code	(\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	710	Utility filing fee	[710]
106	320	Design filing fee	<input type="checkbox"/>
107	490	Plant filing fee	<input type="checkbox"/>
108	710	Reissue filing fee	<input type="checkbox"/>
114	150	Provisional filing fee	<input type="checkbox"/>

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)[710]

EXTRA CLAIM FEES – Large Entity

	Extra Claims	Below Fee	Fee Paid
Total Claims	[65] - 20** = [45]	x [18]	= [810]
Independent Claims	[7] - 3** = [4]	x [80]	= [320]
Multiple Dependent	<input type="checkbox"/>	= <input type="checkbox"/>	

** or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below

Code	(\$)	Fee Description
103	18	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 & over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)[1130]

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Code	(\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	Surcharge-late filing fee or oath	<input type="checkbox"/>
127	50	Surcharge-late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	<input type="checkbox"/>
139	130	Non-English specification	<input type="checkbox"/>
147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	<input type="checkbox"/>
112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner's action	<input type="checkbox"/>
113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner's action	<input type="checkbox"/>
115	110	Extension for reply within 1 st month	<input type="checkbox"/>
116	390	Extension for reply within 2 nd month	<input type="checkbox"/>
117	890	Extension for reply within 3 rd month	<input type="checkbox"/>
118	1,390	Extension for reply within 4 th month	<input type="checkbox"/>
128	1,890	Extension for reply within 5 th month	<input type="checkbox"/>
119	310	Notice of Appeal	<input type="checkbox"/>
120	310	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	<input type="checkbox"/>
121	270	Request for oral hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>
138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	<input type="checkbox"/>
140	110	Petition to revive - unavoidable	<input type="checkbox"/>
141	1,240	Petition to revive - unintentional	<input type="checkbox"/>
142	1,240	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	<input type="checkbox"/>
143	440	Design issue fee	<input type="checkbox"/>
144	600	Plant issue fee	<input type="checkbox"/>
122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	<input type="checkbox"/>
123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	<input type="checkbox"/>
126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	<input type="checkbox"/>
146	710	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	<input type="checkbox"/>
149	710	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	<input type="checkbox"/>
179	710	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	<input type="checkbox"/>
169	710	Request for expedited examination of a design application	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other fee (specify) _____

Other fee (specify) _____

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SUBTOTAL(3) (\$) []

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Section 8

P&G Case 8638

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
Christopher Bewick-Sonntag :
Serial No. 09/905,804 :
Confirmation No.7355 :
Filed July 13, 2001 :
For: Improved Topsheet for Contacting Hydrous Body Tissues and Absorbent Device with
Such a Topsheet

COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS

Box Missing Parts
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This replies to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (PTO-1533) mailed August 2, 2001. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application-Filing Date Granted (Form PTO-1533) is enclosed.

No declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

The declaration or oath that was filed was determined to be defective. A new original oath or declaration is attached.

This replies to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed _____. A copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers is enclosed. To complete the informalities noted on the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, applicant submits herewith:

- New drawings complying with the size requirements (in compliance with 37 CFR §1.84);
- Drawings of sufficient quality to readily use the patent application publication as a prior art document;
- Specification of sufficient quality for optical character recognition (OCR) conversion of image to text;
- Title and/or Abstract in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.72;
- Sequence listings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821 *et seq.*
- Other (please specify). _____.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the surcharge set forth in 37 CFR §1.16(e) to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge payment of any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any over-payment to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

[] The Commissioner is also hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to grant any extension of time needed for timely response to the Notice to File Missing Parts to preserve the pendency of the above-identified application. The processing fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) is as follows:

- \$110.00 for one-month extension of time;
- \$390.00 for two-month extension of time;
- \$890.00 for three-month extension of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to make any additional copies of this sheet needed to accomplish the purposes provided for herein and to charge any fee for such copies to Deposit Account No. 16-2480.

Respectfully submitted,

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